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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
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ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

28 March 29, 2011

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**EXTENSION OF EXISTING CONTRACT WITH
AFFILIATED COMPUTER SERVICES INCORPORATED AND
THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL FOR CONTINUATION OF
THE AUTOMATED RED LIGHT PHOTO ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM
PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to extend and amend the current contracts with both Affiliated Computer Services Incorporated and the California Highway Patrol for the Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program on a month-to-month basis for a period of time not to exceed 14 months at the seven existing intersections within the unincorporated County of Los Angeles.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that the proposed extension and amendment of the Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program are exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute an amendment to Contract PW12757 with Affiliated Computer Services Incorporated for a month-to-month extension for a period of time not to exceed 14 months for a not-to-exceed fee of \$489,510 per year.
3. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute a supplemental agreement to the California Highway Patrol Agreement 3R501001 for a month-to-month period of time not to exceed 14 months for a not-to-exceed fee of \$8,333.33 per month or a total fee of \$116,667.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On April 5, 2011, the current contract extension will expire. Letting the contracts expire will result in an interruption in service to the Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program. The Department of Public Works (Public Works) is recommending a month-to-month extension for a period of time not to exceed 14 months of these contracts during which time Public Works will prepare a new Request for Proposal. At any time, the County may terminate the contract if we determine that it does not meet the program objectives.

On April 6, 2004, your Board approved and authorized the Director of Public Works to enter into an agreement with Affiliated Computer Services (ACS) Incorporated for the implementation of an Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program at the following eight intersections:

NO. INTERSECTIONS AREA SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT

1. Colima Road at Batson Avenue Rowland Heights area 1
2. Whittier Boulevard at Atlantic Boulevard East Los Angeles 1
3. 1st Street at Eastern Avenue East Los Angeles 1
4. La Cienega Boulevard at 120th Street El Segundo 2
5. Wilshire Boulevard at Sepulveda Boulevard Los Angeles 3
6. Telegraph Road at Colima Road East Whittier 4
7. Carmenita Road at Leffingwell Road Whittier 4
8. Hollenbeck Avenue at Cypress Street Glendora 5

The agreement with ACS Incorporated provides specialized equipment and labor in photographing violators of red lights at the specified highway intersections, while the agreement with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) provides financing for their work in review of the photographic record of the violation and providing enforcement support for each citation issued under the program.

Collisions caused by failure to stop for red lights are among the most severe, often resulting in significant injury or fatality. The purpose of red light photo enforcement is to encourage good driving behavior and increase traffic safety by reducing these types of collisions, as well as reducing the number of red light running incidents.

Our most recent comprehensive analysis of the collision rates for the eight current program intersections, as of September 30, 2010, showed a 42.9 percent reduction in the number of right-angle type collisions that are attributed to red light running. Additionally, there was a 29.1 percent reduction in the overall total number of collisions, and 25 percent reductions in the number of rear-end type collisions for these same intersections. This reduction in collisions shows an overall improvement in intersection safety, which is beneficial when considering the health and cost savings to motorists, alleviation in emergency response efforts, and reduction in intersection delays.

Automated red light photo enforcement requires the use of specialized equipment owned and operated by ACS Incorporated. Therefore, an extension of the contract with ACS Incorporated enables the continued utilization of the ACS-owned automated red light photo enforcement equipment already installed at the seven remaining existing intersections without experiencing an interruption in service. In addition, this contract extension includes continuation of contract cost saving measures by reusing the existing equipment and digital video.

The enforcement of moving violations on County highways is the responsibility of the CHP. Therefore, extending our contract with the CHP will allow for continued enforcement of moving traffic violations under the program. The CHP has indicated their strong support for the continuation of the program, as well as their participation in this program to provide the appropriate enforcement.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3) by enhancing the quality of life for residents in these communities, as a continuation of the program will enhance highway safety through a reduction in the frequency of red light running collisions and enhance service delivery through effective continuation of our contract with a private vendor.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The amended contract provides that the County will pay a not-to-exceed fee of \$489,510 to ACS Incorporated for their work. Additionally, the County, under the amended agreement with the CHP, will reimburse their actual costs up to \$8,333.33 per month or a total fee of \$116,667 for the month-to-month extension for a period of time not to exceed 14 months.

This program is financed through an allocation of General Fund revenues from the County Trial Court Operations (Trial Court) budget. Revenue from the citations that are issued for each location enforced by the program are deposited into the Trial Court budget and are used to offset the cost of the program via reimbursement of expense to Public Works. In the event that any budget reductions occur in any future fiscal year throughout the program, provisions remain in the contract for the County to consider termination at any time.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

California Vehicle Code Section 21455.5 allows the use of an automated enforcement system at signalized intersections. The automated system's presence must be identified by signs clearly indicating its presence. Automated systems are located at eight intersections that meet the criteria specified in Section 21455.7.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed extension and amendment of the Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to California Code of Regulations Section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On April 6, 2004, your Board authorized Public Works to execute a consultant services agreement with ACS Incorporated following a Request for Proposal process. In addition, your Board authorized Public Works to sign an agreement with the CHP to review the photographic record of the violation and provide enforcement support for each citation that is issued under the program. On March 17, 2009, your Board approved the extension of said contract for a period of 1 year with an optional 1-

year extension at the eight existing intersections. On December 23, 2010, a 30-day notice was sent to ACS Incorporated to terminate service at the intersection of Wilshire Boulevard at Sepulveda Boulevard. The automated red light photo enforcement equipment was removed at this intersection due to the Interstate 405 Freeway Sepulveda Pass Project undertaken by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Agency, which results in a pro-rated reduction of the contract from the previous extension.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The continued implementation and management of the existing Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program will not result in the displacement of any County employees, nor will it affect current services.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Traffic and Lighting Division. Also, please forward a copy of this letter to the Auditor Controller, Tax Division (Attention Kelvin Aikens).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gail Farber". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

GAIL FARBER
Director

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c: Auditor-Controller (Kelvin Aikens)
Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)
County Counsel (Warren Wellen)
Executive Office